



Colonel David F. McAllister
Chief of Police

NEWS RELEASE

FIRE DESTROYS BUSINESS

On November 11, 2010 at approximately 3:00 a.m. Bluffton Police responded to an activated alarm at USA Rider, 22 Plantation Park Drive, Bluffton, SC.

Upon arriving, they found the rear of the business in flames. Bluffton Township Fire District responded and extinguished the fire. There were no injuries reported. South Carolina Law Enforcement Division was called to assist in the investigation. The investigation into this incident reveals that the suspect gained access to the business and started the fire. This incident appears similar to the arson that occurred on November 4, 2010 at Easy 2 Own, 21 Simmonsville Road.

The suspect involved in the Easy 2 Own incident has been identified as Joseph Samuel Clements Jr. There are currently three active arrest warrants on him. He is also a person of interest in the most recent fire.

We encourage anyone with information about the USA Rider fire to contact the Bluffton Police Department Tip Line at 843-706-4560, Sgt. Babkiewicz at 843-706-4563 or the SLED Arson Tip Line at 1-800-922-7766. Anyone with information about Joseph Clements whereabouts needs to call their local law enforcement agency immediately.

WANTED



Joseph Samuel Clements Jr.
1501 E. Anderson Street
Savannah, GA 31401
DOB: 01-27-1987

CHARGES

Burglary 2nd Degree
Arson 2nd Degree
Petit Larceny

